



City of Savannah

SAVANNAH CITY GOVERNMENT SUMMARY/FINAL MINUTES COUNCIL WORK SESSION & CITY MANAGER'S BRIEFING June 25, 2020 – 4:00 p.m.

Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, the City Council work session and City Manager's Briefing was held at 4:01 p.m.., via Zoom video communications. Mayor Johnson recognized Alderman Palumbo who then offered the Invocation.

PRESENT: Mayor Van R. Johnson, II, Presiding

Alderwoman Kesha Gibson-Carter, At-Large, Post 1, Chairman

Alderwoman Alicia Miller Blakely, At-Large, Post 2

Alderwoman Bernetta B. Lanier, District 1

Alderman Detric Leggett, District 2

Alderwoman Linda Wilder-Bryan, District 3

Alderman Nick Palumbo, District 4, Vice-Chairman

Alderwoman Dr. Estella Edwards Shabazz, District 5, Mayor

Pro-Tem

Alderman Kurtis Purtee, District 6

OTHERS PRESENT:

City Manager Pat Monahan

Assistant City Manager Heath Lloyd

Police Chief Roy W. Minter, Jr.

City Attorney Bates Lovett

Clerk of Council Mark Massey

Mayor Johnson shared updated statistics of COVID-19 for Chatham County.

Date: Jun 25 2020 (4:00 p.m.)

Workshop Agenda Items

1. Amendment to the General Development Standards for the Eastern Wharf Planned Development

Mayor Johnson introduced City Manager Monahan to begin the work session. Mr. Monahan introduced Attorney Harold Yellin of Hunter MacLean to give a presentation of the Eastern Wharf Planned Development as requested by the City Council at the June 11, 2020 Meeting.

Ms. Melanie Wilson, Executive Director of Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC), Mr. Marcus Lotson of MPC, and Mr. Mark Blair, Project Architect, were on hand to offer more information/definitions of the Development by way of slide presentations.

Mr. Blair presented the details of the character of the Eastern Wharf Planned Development as it relates to the planned unit development (PUD's), a description of the units, the heights, riverfront views, and the skyline.

Following the presentations, there was a question and answer session with City Council and discussions related to the affordability, opportunity zone, and future land development. Mayor Johnson noted this is an opportunity for the City to realize increased tax revenue.

Attorney Yellin requested to return before City Council at the next meeting, July 9th, for a Petition that was previously tabled by them at a prior meeting.

2. Disposition of City-Owned Properties

PRESENTED: City Manager Monahan introduced Director of Real Estate David Keating for a presentation on City owned property sales.

Purchasing Director Frank Garlitz and Real Estate Services Manager Eric Chin provided additional information on sales and purchase of real estate for the City.

Following the presentations, there was a discussion with the Mayor and Aldermen.

3. Traffic Calming Update

PRESENTED: City Manager Monahan introduced Assistant City Manager Heath Lloyd for the presentation on the traffic calming policy in the City. He indicated that Assistant Chief Price will join the presentation to discuss the new additions in school zones.

Mr. Lloyd identified the members of the Traffic Calming Committee, who shall be educated on traffic calming policy and the variety of measures that calm traffic. There is one vacancy, District 4. Alderman Palumbo offered Ms. Caila Brown as the appointee for District 4.

Mayor Johnson suggested, amending the regular meeting agenda for today to add Ms. Brown's board appointment.

Following the slide presentation, there was discussion of traffic calming and school zone traffic control for the Districts.

Hearing no further business, Mayor Johnson adjourned the meeting at 6:13 p.m.

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Mark Massey, Clerk of Council

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